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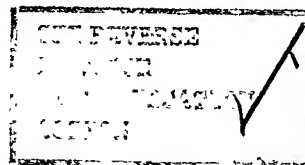
TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM : V. P. Keay

SUBJECT: FRANK WISNER
DEPUTY DIRECTOR,
OFFICE OF POLICY COORDINATION,
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: May 29, 1952

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Reference is made to memorandum dated May 21, 1952, directed from Mr. Stanley to you whereon the Director commented that General Smith of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) should be briefed regarding the complaint made against Frank Wisner by

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You will recall that the complaint was connected with the dispute which has been taking place between Max Ausnit and Nicolae Malaxa, wealthy Roumanian industrialists who are in the United States.

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On May 28, 1952, Liaison Agent Papich briefed the Director of the CIA regarding [redacted] complaint, at which time General Smith stated that he was very familiar with the feud which has been transpiring between Ausnit and Malaxa. He pointed out that he has been in a position to hear arguments on the behalf of each in view of the fact that Frank Wisner at one time served as counsel for Ausnit and Allen Dulles served as a lawyer for Malaxa. He stated that both Wisner and Dulles discontinued any contacts or dealings with the afore-mentioned individuals several months ago.

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General Smith considers Ausnit and Malaxa to be a couple of unscrupulous operators who exist by "buying off people." He stated that unless something was going on without his knowledge, no CIA employee is associating either with Ausnit or Malaxa. He commented that he wanted to make certain that CIA was not to be used by either of the individuals to further their ends.

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Smith stated that both Ausnit and Malaxa probably will not hesitate to utilize key Government officials, including Congressmen, if the opportunities are presented. In this connection, he stated that recently he was contacted by Dr. Wallace Graham, President Truman's personal physician, at which time Dr. Graham requested information concerning Malaxa. General Smith stated that in view of the manner in which Dr. Graham presented his request, it was very obvious that he had more than a casual

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interest in Malaxa. According to General Smith, Graham was referred to the Immigration and Naturalization Service for information regarding Malaxa. He referred to Dr. Graham as a "nice fellow" but "very naive." S1 (S)(u) Declassified per CIA Letter 10-27-88
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General Smith commented that he would not be surprised if Malaxa or Ausnit might try to get to General Vaughan for assistance. He did not elaborate any further regarding this comment. S1 (S)(u) Declassified per CIA Letter 10-27-88

With regard to [] General Smith stated that he definitely did not have any plans to contact [] regarding the complaint because he felt that the information regarding Wisner's alleged association with a Roumanian espionage agent was without any foundation whatsoever. S1 (S)(u) Declassified per CIA Letter 10-27-88

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ACTION:

None. For your information.

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VIA LIAISON

Date: November 28, 1952

To: General Walter Bedell Smith
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Administration Building
Room 123
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FRANK G. WISNER
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The following information, possibly relating to Frank G. Wisner of your Agency, was recently made available to the Bureau by a confidential informant of known reliability. The informant reportedly received the information from [redacted]

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"Frank Wisner Intelligence Service in Washington, D. C. was in Bucharest in 1944; his girl friend was Carageala, (last name), who was discovered in American Zone in Vienna, to be a Russian spy. He acknowledged the relationship, saying he did not know she was a spy. Wisner is in contact with the Rumanian National Committee constantly, and he manages to prevent or restrain the entrance of Rumanians who are not in sympathy with this committee. Wisner was, and is, a bitter enemy of Malaxa."

The informant advised that he was not acquainted with Frank Wisner, but identified the individual named Malaxa mentioned in the above anonymous communication as Nicolae Malaxa, who is well known to your Agency.

Another reliable and confidential source who is acquainted with Frank Wisner, an official of the Central Intelligence Agency, met Mr. Wisner in Rumania during World War II and subsequently met Mr. Wisner in Washington, D. C. when the latter was employed by the Department of State.

In view of the possibility that the information in the anonymous communication relates to Frank G. Wisner of your Agency, this information is being brought to your attention as a matter of possible interest.

cc - Liaison
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Informant is Paul Crouch who received his info from Walter Steele who received the anonymous letter.

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